GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISMF IN LAKSHADWEEP
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has any concrete plan to develop tourism in Lakshadweep;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of attractive tourists spots in Lakshadweep at present; and

(d) the names of projects implemented in consultation with the State Government and the amount sanctioned/released thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a) and (b): Development and promotion of tourist centres/places is primarily undertaken by the Lakshadweep Administration. However, the Department of Tourism selectively Provides central financial assistance on the basis of projects prioritised annually in consultation with the state concerned.

(c): The main tourist attractions of Lakshadweep includes islands of Bangaram,Agatti, Kavaratti, Kadmat, Kalpeni Minicoy, Suhali, Tinnakaram, Androt and Cheriyam.

(d): During the last three years, under mentioned projects were sanctioned:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Name of Project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1997-98	Five Glass Boats	5.00	2.50
1998-99	Purchase of scuba diving equipment	29.00	13.80
1999-2000	Nil		